ENVIRONMENTAL NOTIFICATION FORM ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

# **Park Street Station**

Vertical Transportation Improvements



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# **Environmental Notification Form Environmental Assessment**

Submitted by:
Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority
Ten Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116-3974

### Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs ■ MEPA Office



# Environmental Notification Form

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The information requested on this form must be completed to begin MEPA Review in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, 301 CMR 11.00.

Project Name: Park Street Station Vertica	l Transportation	Improvements			
Street: Boston Common, near intersection	n of Park Street	and Tremont			
Municipality: Boston	Watershed: F Harbor	Watershed: Fort Point Channel to Boston Harbor			
Universal Tranverse Mercator Coordinates	Latitude: 42 2	6' 15"			
Northing: 4700407.0 Easting: 669342.8	Longitude: 71	03' 42"			
Estimated commencement date: March 201	0 Estimated con	mpletion date: March 2012			
Approximate cost: \$9,800,000.00	Status of proje	ect design: 90 %complete			
Proponent: Massachusetts Bay Transpor	tation Authority				
Street: 10 Park Street, Room 6720					
Municipality: Boston	State: MA	Zip Code: <b>02116</b>			
Name of Contact Person From Whom Copi	es of this ENF Ma	ay Be Obtained:			
Lois Baxter					
Firm/Agency: MBTA	Street: 10 Par	rk Plaza, Room 6720			
Municipality: Boston	State: MA	Zip Code: <b>02116</b>			
Phone: <b>617-222-3124</b> Fax: <b>6</b>	17-222-1557	E-mail: Ibaxter@mbta.com			
Does this project meet or exceed a mandatory  Yes X No  Has this project been filed with MEPA before?  Yes (EOEA No.  Has any project on this site been filed with MER  Yes (EOEA No.	_) X No PA before?	901 CMR 11.03)?			
Is this an Expanded ENF (see 301 CMR 11.05(7)) requesting: a Single EIR? (see 301 CMR 11.06(8))					
Identify any financial assistance or land transfe agency name and the amount of funding or lan the use of FTA funds as well as MBTA Revenu	d area (in acres): T				
Are you requesting coordinated review with any other federal, state, regional, or local agency?  X Yes (Specify Federal Transit Administration (FTA) NEPA Approval)  No					
List Local or Federal Permits and Approvals: N Approval, Section 4f Approval, Article 97 Land					

Which ENF or EIR review thres	hold(s) does th	ne project me	et or exceed	(see 301 CMR 11.03):
X Land ☐ Water ☐ Energy ☐ ACEC	☐ Rare Speci ☐ Wastewate ☐ Air ☐ Regulation	er 🔲	Transportat Solid & Haz Historical & / Resources	ardous Waste Archaeological
Summary of Project Size	Existing	Change	Total	State Permits &
& Environmental Impacts			2	Approvals
	LAND			☐ Order of Conditions
Total site acreage (Boston Common)	~ 50			Superseding Order of Conditions
New acres of land altered		0.0024		☐ Chapter 91 License
Acres of impervious area	14.94	0.0012	14.94	☐ 401 Water Quality Certification
Square feet of new bordering vegetated wetlands alteration		0		☐ MHD or MDC Access Permit
Square feet of new other wetland alteration		0		
Acres of new non-water dependent use of tidelands or waterways		0		☐ New Source Approval
STRI Gross square footage	UCTURES	106	106	☐ DEP or MWRA Sewer Connection/ Extension Permit ☐ Other Permits (including Legislative Approvals) — Specify:
Number of housing units	0	0	0	
Maximum height (in feet)	0	18.5	18.5	S
TRANS	PORTATION			
Vehicle trips per day	0	0	0	
Parking spaces	0	0	0	
WAS	TEWATER			
Gallons/day (GPD) of water use	0	0	0	
GPD water withdrawal	0	0	0	i
GPD wastewater generation/ treatment	0	0	0	
Length of water/sewer mains (in miles)	0	0	0	
CONSERVATION LAND: Will the processources to any purpose not in accommon X Yes (Specify Boston Common Will it involve the release of any consecution, or watershed preservation ☐ Yes (Specify	ordance with Art n) □No servation restrict	icle 97? ion, preservati		

RAKE SPECIES: Does the project site include Estimated Habitat of Rare Species, Vernal Pools, Priority Sites of
Rare Species, or Exemplary Natural Communities?
Yes (Specify) X No
<u>HISTORICAL /ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES</u> : Does the project site include any structure, site or district listed in the State Register of Historic Place or the inventory of Historic and Archaeological Assets of the Commonwealth?
X Yes (Specify Boston Common National Historic District, Tremont Street Subway and Park Street Station
If yes, does the project involve any demolition or destruction of any listed or inventoried historic or archaeological resources?
X Yes (Specify_ Selected and limited demolition in Park Street Station will occur, including removal of an approximately 12.5 by 12.5 foot square section of both the roof and floor to install two elevators, and relocation of a stair connecting the Green Line Westbound Platform with the Red Line Center Platform below)  □ No
AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN: Is the project in or adjacent to an Area of Critical Environmental Concern?
□Yes (Specify) <b>X</b> No

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**: The project description should include (a) a description of the project site, (b) a description of both on-site and off-site alternatives and the impacts associated with each alternative, and (c) potential on-site and off-site mitigation measures for each alternative (You may attach one additional page, if necessary.)

Park Street Station is one of the most important access nodes in the subway system, providing access to two highly utilized subway lines: the Green Line with multiple branches that serve areas west and northwest of downtown Boston and the Red Line which serves Cambridge and neighborhoods of Boston and communities south. The station presents complex structural issues in part because the Red Line is constructed below the Green Line. Park Street Station currently has one elevator connecting the street-level surface to the "non-paid" Westbound Green Line lobby and one elevator connecting the Westbound Green Line to the Red Line Center Platform. Currently, a passenger destined for the Westbound tracks on the Green Line who wishes to use the accessible entrance to the station must enter the station via the elevator on Tremont Street, across the street from the Boston Common. Upon exiting the elevator the passenger must pass through newly installed automatic fare collection gates at which he/she will be on the eastbound platform area. The passenger must then make his/her way approximately 325 feet down the platform to an existing elevator which will bring him/her to a level below the Green Line so as to cross underneath the tracks, and then enter yet a third elevator to come up to the Green Line Westbound platform. This trip is excessively long and can pose a significant challenge for a person with limited mobility and/or physical stamina. This circuitous path of travel is far less superior than a direct path from the surface to the unpaid area of the Green Line, which is the intent of this project. The Park Street Station Vertical Transportation Improvements will provide a second elevator leading from the surface to the Green Line Westbound Platform. This elevator will be located on the Boston Common in the vicinity of the existing West Head House. An additional elevator will connect the Green Line Westbound Platform to the Red Line Center Platform. The elevator between the Red and the Green lines will have no surface level element.

A further description of the project as well as its Purpose and Need and Alternatives Analysis can be found in the attached document.

#### **LAND SECTION** – all proponents must fill out this section

L	Thresholds / Permits  A. Does the project meet or exceed any review thresholds related to land (see 301 CMR 11.03(1)  Yes X No; if yes, specify each threshold:
II.	Impacts and Permits  A. Describe, in acres, the current and proposed character of the project site, as follows:    Existing   Change   Total
	B. Has any part of the project site been in active agricultural use in the last three years?  YesX No; if yes, how many acres of land in agricultural use (with agricultural soils) will be converted to nonagricultural use?
	C. Is any part of the project site currently or proposed to be in active forestry use?  Yes X_No; if yes, please describe current and proposed forestry activities and indicate whether any part of the site is the subject of a DEM-approved forest management plan:
	D. Does any part of the project involve conversion of land held for natural resources purposes in accordance with Article 97 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth to any purpose not in accordance with Article 97? _X _ Yes No; if yes, describe: Conversion of approximately 106 s.f. of open space (Boston Common) to elevator head house. See attached document.
	E. Is any part of the project site currently subject to a conservation restriction, preservation restriction, agricultural preservation restriction or watershed preservation restriction?Yes _X No; if yes, does the project involve the release or modification of such restriction?Yes No; if yes, describe:
	F. Does the project require approval of a new urban redevelopment project or a fundamental change in an existing urban redevelopment project under M.G.L.c.121A? Yes <b>X</b> _ No; if yes, describe:
	G. Does the project require approval of a new urban renewal plan or a major modification of an existing urban renewal plan under M.G.L.c.121B? Yes NoX_; if yes, describe:
	H. Describe the project's stormwater impacts and, if applicable, measures that the project will take to comply with the standards found in DEP's Stormwater Management Policy: This project does not fall within the jurisdiction of the Boston Conservation Commission, nor technically under the Stormwater Management Policy. Nonetheless, the project will have negligible stormwater impacts. Approximately 50 s.f. of new impervious cover will be created through this project (only half of the structure will impact existing pervious surface) and adjacent existing storm drainage systems will accommodate the incremental increase in flow. All construction will take place in accordance with NPDES General Construction permit requirements.
	I. Is the project site currently being regulated under M.G.L.c.21E or the Massachusetts Contingency Plan? Yes No _X; if yes, what is the Release Tracking Number (RTN)?
	J. If the project is site is within the Chicopee or Nashua watershed, is it within the Quabbin, Ware, or Wachusett subwatershed? Yes _X No; if yes, is the project site subject to regulation under the Watershed Protection Act? Yes No

K. Describe the project's other impacts on land:

There are no other land impacts as defined within MEPA land impact thresholds. Mitigation strategies for reduction of impacts to land and historical resources has been a significant design objective beyond meeting the project's primary purpose and need.

#### III.. Consistency

A. Identify the current municipal comprehensive land use plan and the open space plan and describe the consistency of the project and its impacts with that plan(s):

The project will result in the improvement of a facility that is vital to the provision of public transportation services, most notably for individuals with disabilities. By utilizing and improving an existing facility, this project is consistent with local land use patters as set by the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

B. Identify the current Regional Policy Plan of the applicable Regional Planning Agency and describe the consistency of the project and its impacts with that plan:

The Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) transportation plan, ("Journey to 2030") identifies the following issues as key to the areas future development: system preservation, modernization, and efficiency; mobility; environment; safety and security; regional equity; (also called environmental justice); and land use and economic development. Updating the Park Street Station to improve access for people of all abilities serves to modernize the station, as well as increase efficiency, mobility, safety and equity for all riders.

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	C. Will the project require any approvals under the local zoning by-law or ordinance (i.e. text or map amendment, special permit, or variance)? Yes No _X ; if yes, describe:
	<ul><li>D. Will the project require local site plan or project impact review?</li><li>Yes _X_ No; if yes, describe:</li></ul>
RARE	SPECIES SECTION
L	Thresholds / Permits  A. Will the project meet or exceed any review thresholds related to rare species or habitat (see 301 CMR 11.03(2))? Yes _X No; if yes, specify, in quantitative terms:
	B. Does the project require any state permits related to <b>rare species or habitat</b> ? Yes <b>X</b> No
	C. If you answered "No" to <u>both</u> questions A and B, proceed to the <b>Wetlands, Waterways, and Tidelands Section</b> . If you answered "Yes" to <u>either</u> question A or question B, fill out the remainder of the Rare Species section below.
11.	Impacts and Permits  A. Does the project site fall within Priority or Estimated Habitat in the current Massachusetts  Natural Heritage Atlas (attach relevant page)? Yes No. If yes,  1. Which rare species are known to occur within the Priority or Estimated Habitat (contact: Environmental Review, Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program, Route 135, Westborough, MA 01581, allowing 30 days for receipt of information):  2. Have you surveyed the site for rare species? Yes No; if yes, please include the results of your survey.  3. If your project is within Estimated Habitat, have you filed a Notice of Intent or received an Order of Conditions for this project? Yes No; if yes, did you send a copy of the Notice of Intent to the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program, in accordance with the Wetlands Protection Act regulations? Yes No
	B. Will the project "take" an endangered, threatened, and/or species of special concern in

<li>C. Will the project alter "significant habi</li>	o 321 CMR 10.04)? Yes No; if yes, describe: tat" as designated by the Massachusetts Division of h M.G.L. c.131A (see also 321 CMR 10.30)? Yes
	on rare species including indirect impacts (for example, to contain rare species or lighting impacts on rare moth
WETLANDS, WATERWAYS, AND TIDE	ELANDS SECTION
	review thresholds related to <b>wetlands, waterways, and</b> _Yes _ <b>X</b> No; if yes, specify, in quantitative terms:
B. Does the project require any state per waterways, or tidelands?Yes _2	ermits (or a local Order of Conditions) related to <b>wetlands</b> , <b>X</b> No; if yes, specify which permit:
	ns A and B, proceed to the <b>Water Supply Section</b> . If you question B, fill out the remainder of the Wetlands, w.
II. Wetlands Impacts and Permits A. Describe any wetland resource areas the site plan:	s currently existing on the project site and indicate them on
B. Estimate the extent and type of impaindicate whether the impacts are temporary	act that the project will have on wetland resources, and rary or permanent:
Coastal Wetlands Land Under the Ocean Designated Port Areas Coastal Beaches Coastal Dunes Barrier Beaches Coastal Banks Rocky Intertidal Shores Salt Marshes Land Under Salt Ponds Land Containing Shellfish Fish Runs Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage  Inland Wetlands Bank Bordering Vegetated Wetlands Land under Water	Area (in square feet) or Length (in linear feet)
Isolated Land Subject to Flooding Bordering Land Subject to Flooding Riverfront Area	
<ol><li>fill or structure in a velocity zero.</li></ol>	No of a dam? Yes No; if yes, describe: one or regulatory floodway? Yes No ged material? Yes No; if yes, describe the volume

5. a discharge to Outstanding Resource Waters? Yes No 6. subject to a wetlands restriction order? Yes No; if yes, identify the area (in square feet):
D. Does the project require a new or amended Order of Conditions under the Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c.131A)? Yes No; if yes, has a Notice of Intent been filed or a local Order of Conditions issued? Yes No; if yes, list the date and DEP file number: Was the Order of Conditions appealed? Yes No. Will the project require a variance from the Wetlands regulations? Yes No.
E. Will the project:  1. be subject to a local wetlands ordinance or bylaw? Yes No  2. alter any federally-protected wetlands not regulated under state or local law?
Yes No; if yes, what is the area (in s.f.)?
F. Describe the project's other impacts on wetlands (including new shading of wetland areas or removal of tree canopy from forested wetlands):
III. Waterways and Tidelands Impacts and Permits  A. Is any part of the project site waterways or tidelands (including filled former tidelands) that are subject to the Waterways Act, M.G.L.c.91? Yes No; if yes, is there a current Chapter 91 license or permit affecting the project site? Yes No; if yes, list the date and number:
B. Does the project require a new or modified license under M.G.L.c.91?YesN if yes, how many acres of the project site subject to M.G.L.c.91 will be for non-water dependent use? Current Change Total
<ul> <li>C. Is any part of the project <ol> <li>a roadway, bridge, or utility line to or on a barrier beach?YesNo; if yes, describe:</li> <li>dredging or disposal of dredged material?YesNo; if yes, volume of dredged material</li> <li>a solid fill, pile-supported, or bottom-anchored structure in flowed tidelands or other waterways?YesNo; if yes, what is the base area?</li> <li>within a Designated Port Area?YesNo</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
D. Describe the project's other impacts on waterways and tidelands:
IV. Consistency: A. Is the project located within the Coastal Zone? Yes No; if yes, describe the project's consistency with policies of the Office of Coastal Zone Management:
B. Is the project located within an area subject to a Municipal Harbor Plan? Yes No; if ye identify the Municipal Harbor Plan and describe the project's consistency with that plan:
WATER SUPPLY SECTION
I. Thresholds / Permits A. Will the project meet or exceed any review thresholds related to water supply (see 301 CMR 11.03(4))? Yes _X No; if yes, specify, in quantitative terms:
B. Does the project require any state permits related to <b>water supply</b> ? Yes _ <b>X_</b> _ No; if yes, specify which permit:

	answered "Yes" to <u>either</u> question A or question below.	B, fill out the re	mainder of the V	Vater Supply Section
II.	Impacts and Permits  A. Describe, in gallons/day, the volume and sou at the project site:	rce of water use	for existing and	proposed activities
		Existing	Change	<u>Total</u>
	Withdrawal from groundwater Withdrawal from surface water	·	W-7	<u> </u>
	Interbasin transfer	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u> </u>
	Municipal or regional water supply	-	-	40
	B. If the source is a municipal or regional supply is adequate capacity in the system to accommo			
	C. If the project involves a new or expanded wit source,	thdrawal from a	groundwater or s	surface water
	<ol> <li>have you submitted a permit applicate</li> <li>have you conducted a pump test?</li> </ol>	tion? Yes Yes No;	No; if yes, a if yes, attach th	ttach the application e pump test report
	D. What is the currently permitted withdrawal atWill the project require an in			
	E. Does the project site currently contain a water water main, or other water supply facility, or will Yes No. If yes, describe existing and part of the project site currently contain a water water main, or other water supply facility, or will Yes No.	the project invol	ve construction	of a new facility?
	Water supply well(s) (capacity, in gpd) Drinking water treatment plant (capacity, in gpd) Water mains (length, in miles)	Existing	Change	<u>Total</u> 
	F. If the project involves any interbasin transfer direction of the transfer, and is the interbasin tra			ved, what is the
	<ul> <li>G. Does the project involve</li> <li>1. new water service by a state agency</li> <li>2. a Watershed Protect</li> <li>many acres of alteration?</li> <li>3. a non-bridged stream crossing 1,000 water supply for purpose of forest harves</li> </ul>	or less feet upst	e? Yes ream of a public	_ No; if yes, how
	H. Describe the project's other impacts (including facilities and services:	ng indirect impac	ots) on water res	ources, quality,
III.	Consistency Describe the project's consiste enhance water resources, quality, facilities and		onservation plar	ns or other plans to
WAST	TEWATER SECTION			
I.	Thresholds / Permits  A. Will the project meet or exceed any review t 11.03(5))? YesX_ No; if yes, specify, in			r (see 301 CMR
	B. Does the project require any state permits re	lated to wastew	vater? Yes	_ <b>X</b> No; if yes,

C. If you answered "No" to both questions A and B, proceed to the Wastewater Section. If you

specify which permit:

C. If you answered "No" to <u>both</u> questions A and B, proceed to the **Transportation -- Traffic Generation Section**. If you answered "Yes" to <u>either</u> question A or question B, fill out the remainder of the Wastewater Section below.

#### **II. Impacts and Permits**

A. Describe, in gallons/day, the volume and disposal of wastewater generation for existing and proposed activities at the project site (calculate according to 310 CMR 15.00):

Discharge to ground Discharge to ground Discharge to outsta Discharge to surfact Municipal or regiona	dwater (non-Title 5) nding resource water e water	Existing	Change	<u>Total</u>
TOTAL		) <del>2</del>	2	
	ient capacity in the existing col ; if no, describe where capacity		accommodate t	he project?
	ient existing capacity at the proribe how capacity will be increa		ter disposal facili	ty?Yes
wastewater dispo	ect site currently contain a was osal facility, or will the project in escribe as follows:			
Wastewater treatme Sewer mains (lengt Title 5 systems (cap		Existing	Change	<u>Total</u>
	nvolves any interbasin transfer ne transfer, and is the interbasi			involved, what is
	ect involve new sewer service	by an Agency of	the Commonwe	alth to a municipality
combustion or dis	current or proposed facility at the sposal of sewage sludge, sludge Yes No; if yes, what is the	ge ash, grit, scree	enings, or other:	
Storage Treatment, processi Combustion Disposal	ng		<u>Change</u>	
H. Describe the treatment facilitie	project's other impacts (includi s:	ng indirect impac	cts) on wastewat	er generation and
	Describe measures that the procal plans and policies related to			ederal, state,
wastewater mana	requires a sewer extension per agement plan? Yes N tionship of the project to the pla	No; if yes, indicat		

#### **TRANSPORTATION -- TRAFFIC GENERATION SECTION**

I.	A.		mits roject meet or exceed a Yes _ <b>X</b> No; if y				generation	(see 301
			project require any sta specify which permit:	ate permits relat	ed to <b>state-</b>	controlled	roadways?	Yes
	Transp	ortation F	swered "No" to <u>both</u> qu Facilities Section. If y the Traffic Generation s	ou answered "Y				
			and Permits and proposed vehicula		ed by activit <u>a</u> <u>Ch</u>		oject site: <u>Total</u>	
N	umber of Nเ	f parking s umber of v	paces ehicle trips per day		<u>y</u> <u>51</u> — —	<u>iange</u>	<u></u>	_
ĺΤ	E Land l	Use Code(	s):					
	B.	What is t	he estimated average	daily traffic on ro	oadways ser	ving the site	e?	
		1.	<u>Roadway</u>	<u>Existin</u>	<u>a</u> <u>C</u>	nange	<u>Total</u>	
		2. 3.						- -
	C. and ser		how the project will aff	fect transit, ped	estrian and I	oicycle trans	sportation fa	icilities
III	state,		Describe measures tha al plans and policies rel vices:					
ROAL	OWAYS	S AND O	THER TRANSPOR	RTATION FA	CILITIES	SECTION		
I.	transp	I the projec	ot meet or exceed any acilities (see 301 CMR s:					
			ect require any state pe es _ <b>X</b> No; if yes, sp			or other tra	nsportatio	n
			ed "No" to <u>both</u> questio o <u>either</u> question A or c					
II.			Facility Impacts ing and proposed trans	sportation facilit	ence de la fille de la fil	BOT - STATE - CHARLES AND STATE OF THE STATE	T	أحلما
	Length	(in linear f	eet) of new or widened	l roadway	Existing	<u>Chang</u>	<u> </u>	<u>otal</u>
	W	idth (in fee	et) of new or widened ro	padway				

Other transportation facilities:
B. Will the project involve any  1. Alteration of bank or terrain (in linear feet)?  2. Cutting of living public shade trees (number)?  3. Elimination of stone wall (in linear feet)?
III. Consistency Describe the project's consistency with other federal, state, regional, and local plans and policies related to traffic, transit, pedestrian and bicycle transportation facilities and services, including consistency with the applicable regional transportation plan and the Transportation Improvements Plan (TIP), the State Bicycle Plan, and the State Pedestrian Plan:
ENERGY SECTION
<ul> <li>I. Thresholds / Permits</li> <li>A. Will the project meet or exceed any review thresholds related to energy (see 301 CMR 11.03(7))?</li> <li>YesX_ No; if yes, specify, in quantitative terms:</li> </ul>
B. Does the project require any state permits related to <b>energy</b> ? Yes <b>X</b> _ No; if yes, specify which permit:
C. If you answered "No" to <u>both</u> questions A and B, proceed to the <b>Air Quality Section</b> . If you answered "Yes" to <u>either</u> question A or question B, fill out the remainder of the Energy Section below.
II. Impacts and Permits
A. Describe existing and proposed energy generation and transmission facilities at the project site: <u>Existing</u> <u>Change</u> <u>Total</u>
Capacity of electric generating facility (megawatts)  Length of fuel line (in miles)  Length of transmission lines (in miles)  Capacity of transmission lines (in kilovolts)
<ul> <li>B. If the project involves construction or expansion of an electric generating facility, what are</li> <li>1. the facility's current and proposed fuel source(s)?</li> <li>2. the facility's current and proposed cooling source(s)?</li> </ul>
C. If the project involves construction of an electrical transmission line, will it be located on a new, unused, or abandoned right of way? Yes No; if yes, please describe:
D. Describe the project's other impacts on energy facilities and services:
III. Consistency Describe the project's consistency with state, municipal, regional, and federal plans and policies for enhancing energy facilities and services:
AIR QUALITY SECTION
<ul> <li>I. Thresholds         <ul> <li>A. Will the project meet or exceed any review thresholds related to air quality (see 301 CMR 11.03(8))?</li> <li>YesX_ No; if yes, specify, in quantitative terms:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
B. Does the project require any state permits related to <b>air quality</b> ? Yes _ <b>X</b> No; if yes, specify which permit:
C. If you answered "No" to <u>both</u> questions A and B, proceed to the <b>Solid and Hazardous Waste Section</b> . If you answered "Yes" to <u>either</u> question A or question B, fill out the remainder of the Air

Qual	ity	Sect	ion	be	OW.

II. Impacts and Permits  A. Does the project involve of 7.00, Appendix A)? Yes _ day) of:				
		<u>Existing</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Total</u>
Particulate matter Carbon monoxide Sulfur dioxide Volatile organic compounds Oxides of nitrogen Lead Any hazardous air pollutant Carbon dioxide				
B. Describe the project's oth	er impacts on ai	r resources and	air quality, inclu	ding noise impacts:
III. Consistency A. Describe the project's con B. Describe measures that the local plans and policies related	ne proponent wil	I take to comply	with other feder	al, state, regional, ar
LID AND HAZARDOUS WA		***	, •	
<ul> <li>I. Thresholds / Permits</li> <li>A. Will the project meet or ex 301 CMR 11.03(9))? Ye</li> <li>B. Does the project require a X No; if yes, specify which could be an answered "No" to be Resources Section. If you answered when the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a section of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a graph of the project require a X No; if yes, specify which we have a X No; if yes, specify which we have a X No; if yes, specify which we have a X No; if yes, specify which we have a Y</li></ul>	sX_No; if yearny state permits hermit:  oth questions A	es, specify, in questrelated to solid and B, proceed	antitative terms:  I and hazardous  to the Historica	s waste?Yes I and Archaeologic
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II. Impacts and Permits  A. Is there any current or proceed combustion or disposal of sol of the capacity:	lid waste? Y	esNo; if ye	es, what is the vo	treatment, processing blume (in tons per da
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	Disposal
	If the project will generate solid waste (for example, during demolition or construction), describe ernatives considered for re-use, recycling, and disposal:
D.	If the project involves demolition, do any buildings to be demolished contain asbestos?
_	_Yes No
E.	Describe the project's other solid and hazardous waste impacts (including indirect impacts):
III. Co	<b>onsistency</b> Describe measures that the proponent will take to comply with the State Solid Waste Master Plan:
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_X_	s, does the project involve the destruction of all or any part of such archaeological site?YesNo; if yes, please describe:
Cei	If you answered "No" to <u>all parts of both</u> questions A and B, proceed to the <b>Attachments and rtifications</b> Sections. If you answered "Yes" to <u>any part of either</u> question A or question B, fill out remainder of the Historical and Archaeological Resources Section below.
	Have you consulted with the Massachusetts Historical Commission? _XYes No; if yes, ach correspondence
E. hist	Describe and assess the project's other impacts, direct and indirect, on listed or inventoried torical and archaeological resources:
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The construction of a Green Line elevator at Park Street Station requires work adjacent to the Park Street Station, which is a contributing element in the Tremont Street Subway, and Boston Common through the visual and physical introduction of new elevator structures. The location of the elevators was determined following studies that concluded that the proposed configuration is the only siting that achieves the project objectives with minimal impacts to station operations and the historic properties. On the interior of Park Street Station two glass-enclosed elevators will be constructed, a stair will be reoriented between the Green Line Westbound and Red Line Center Platforms and the fare collection area will be slightly reconfigured. The elevators will be positioned and designed between columns and away from original stairs to have minimal impact on the fabric of the station. The stair that will be reconfigured and the fare collection area have previously been altered. The head house for the elevator between the Green Line Westbound platform and the surface will rise within Boston Common. The head house

will emerge southwest of the existing West Head House at the walkway edge of a grassed area. The structure footprint will be as small as possible, approximately 10 feet by 10.5 feet square and will be the same height as the West Head House. The design of the new head house will use granite, steel, and glass materials and a standing seam, metal hip roof. The architectural design and building fabric will complement the existing structures on the Common, but will be as transparent as possible in order to minimize the visual presence of the head house in the historic landscape and for the safety of users.

As a result of the siting work and sensitive design of the elevator, the Massachusetts Historical Commission has determined that the project will have No Adverse Effect on any historic or archeological resource.

**II. Consistency** -- Describe measures that the proponent will take to comply with federal, state, regional, and local plans and policies related to preserving historical and archaeological resources:

The FTA has determined that the proposed construction of a Green Line elevator at Park Street will result in No Adverse Effect under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (36 CFR 800). In addition, the MHC has concurred with this determination.

The FTA and MBTA anticipate ongoing review and consultation with the MHC and Boston Landmarks Commission (BLC) as well as Boston Parks and Recreation Commission (BPRC) to finalize a plan to mitigate the impacts associated with the demolition of the station and the construction of the elevator.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- Plan, at an appropriate scale, of existing conditions of the project site and its immediate context, showing all known structures, roadways and parking lots, rail rights-of-way, wetlands and water bodies, wooded areas, farmland, steep slopes, public open spaces, and major utilities.
- 2. Plan of proposed conditions upon completion of project (if construction of the project is proposed to be phased, there should be a site plan showing conditions upon the completion of each phase).
- 3. Original U.S.G.S. map or good quality color copy (8-1/2 x 11 inches or larger) indicating the project location and boundaries
- 4 List of all agencies and persons to whom the proponent circulated the ENF, in accordance with 301 CMR 11.16(2).

#### **CERTIFICATIONS:**

The Public Notice of Environmental Review has been/will be published in the following newspapers in accordance with 301 CMR 11.15(1):

 (Name)
 (Date)

Beacon Hill Times

On or before September 8, 2009

2. This form has been circulated to Agencies and Persons in accordance with 301 CMR 11.16(2).

Date Signature of Responsible Officer Date or Proponent

Signature of person preparing ENF (if different from above)

Name (print or type)

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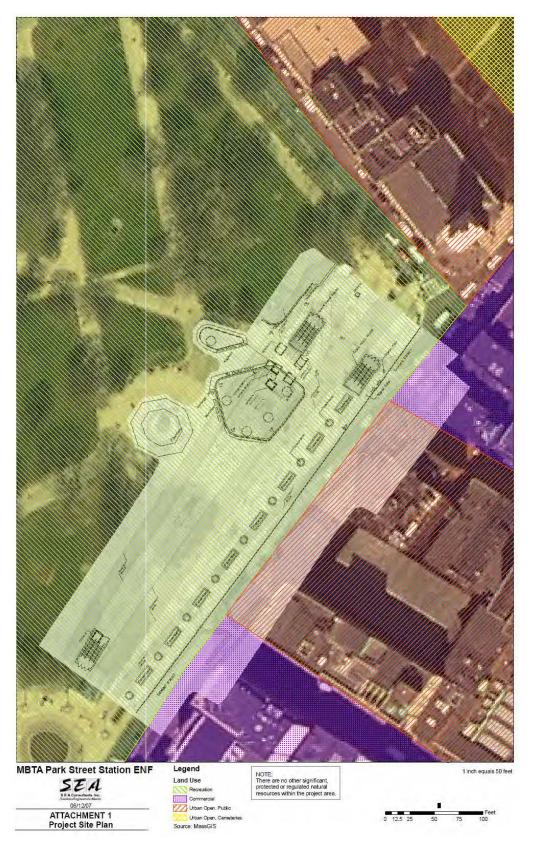
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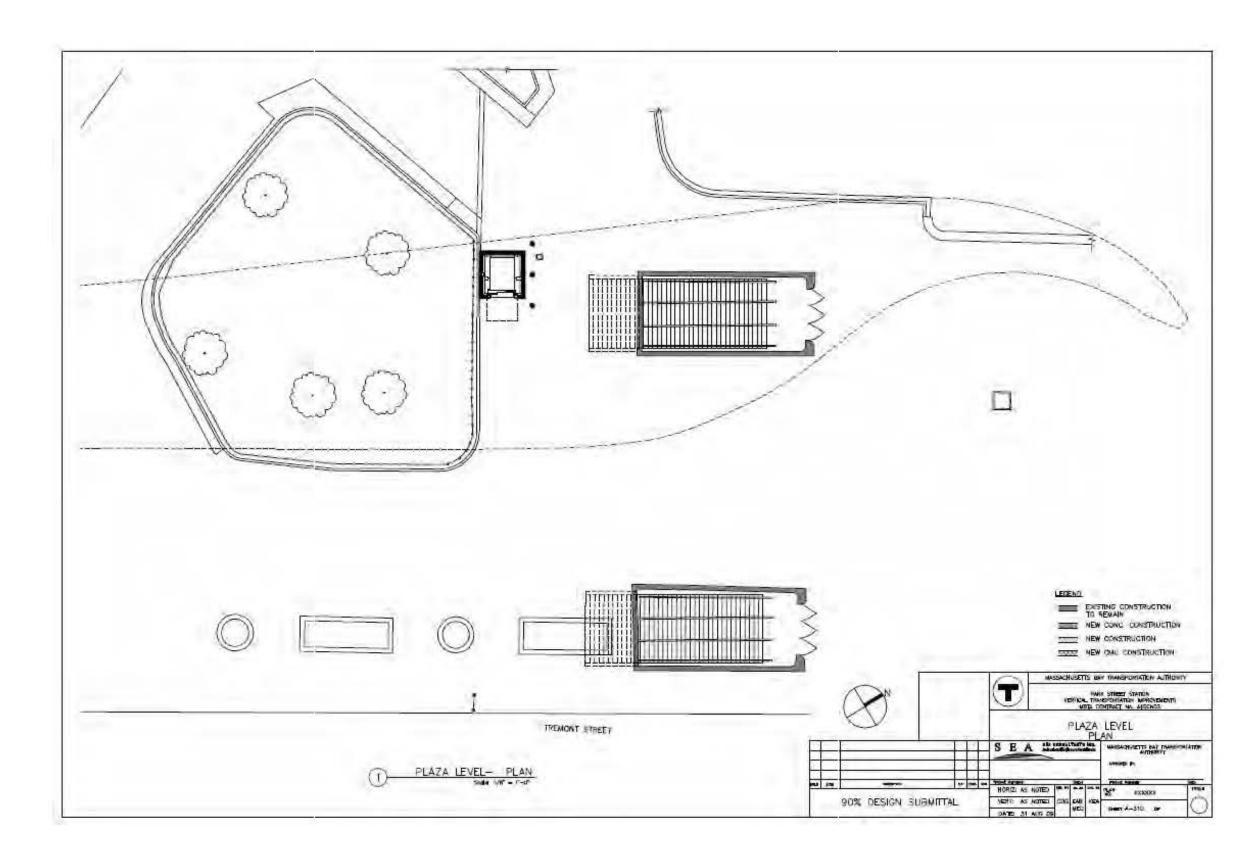
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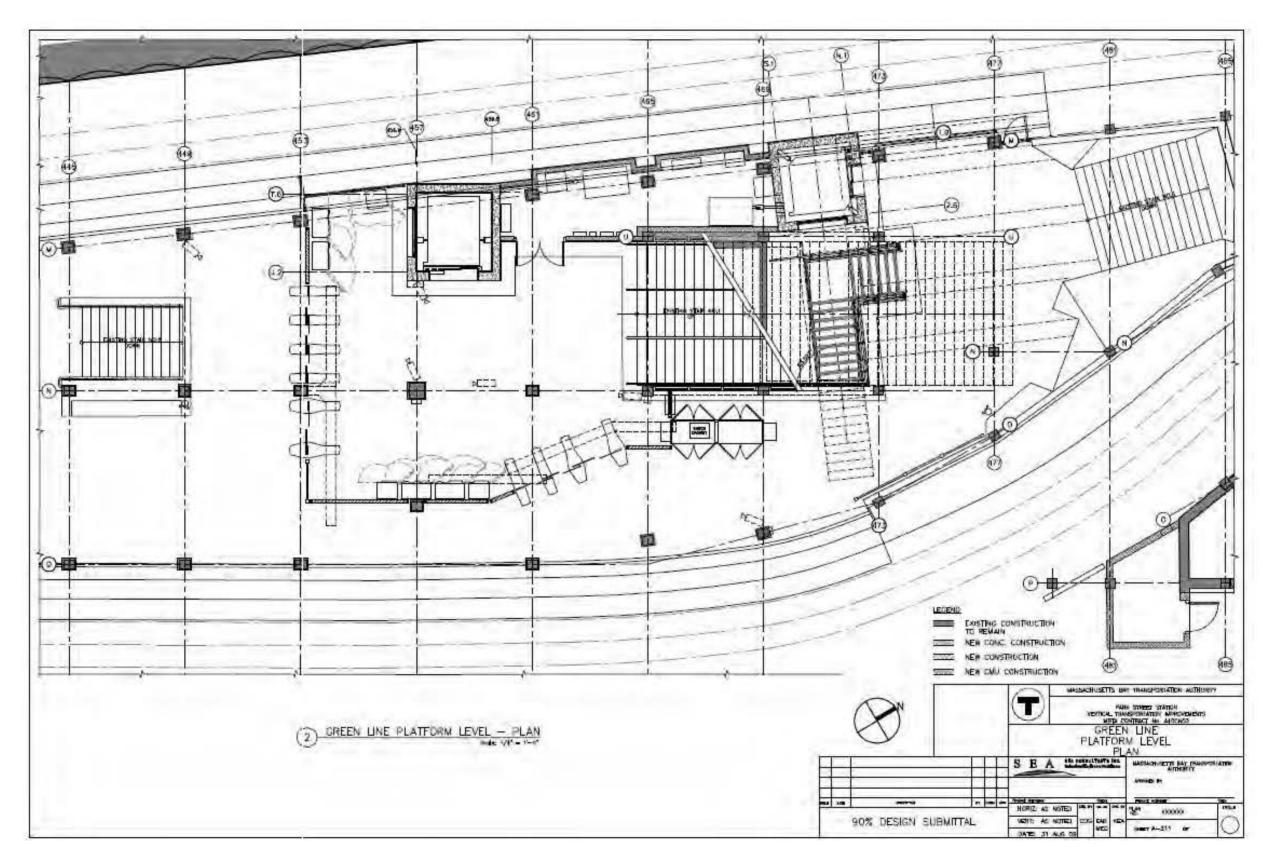
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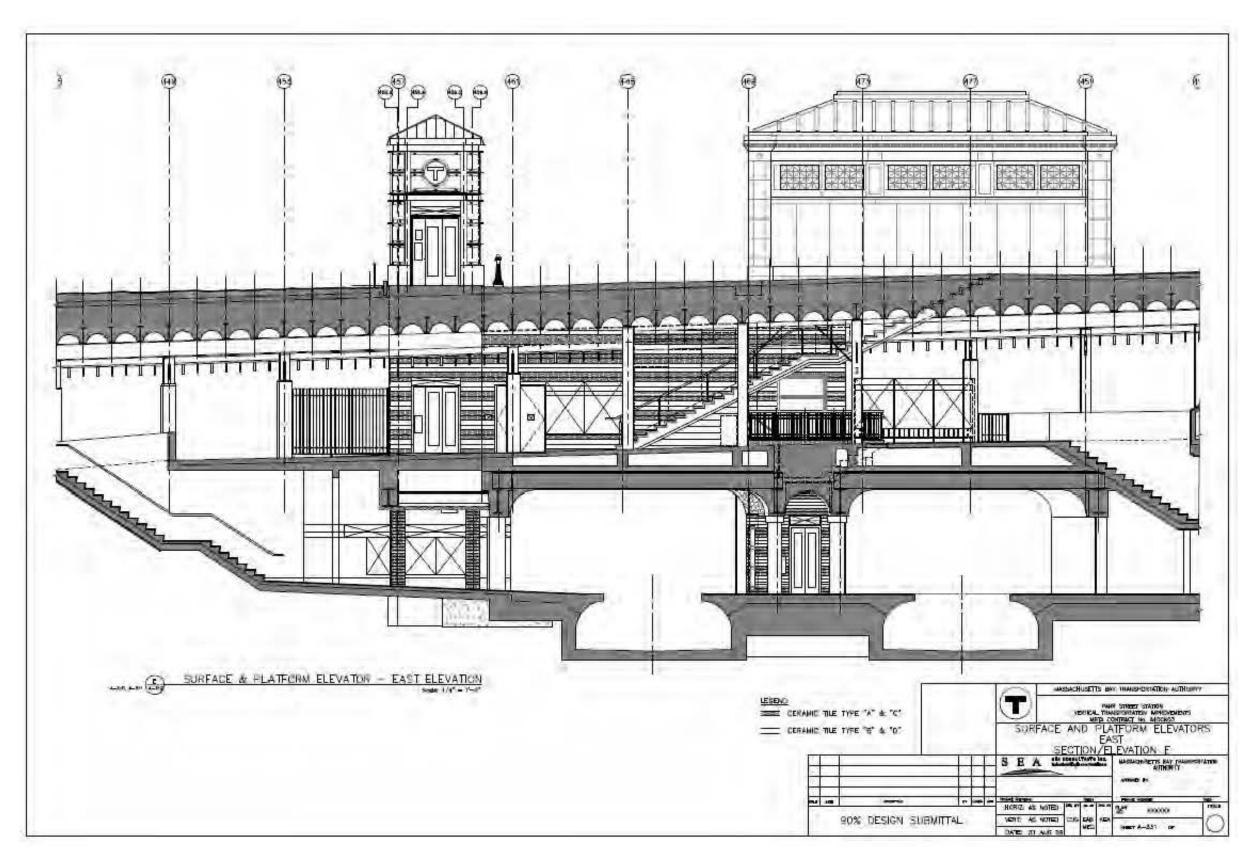


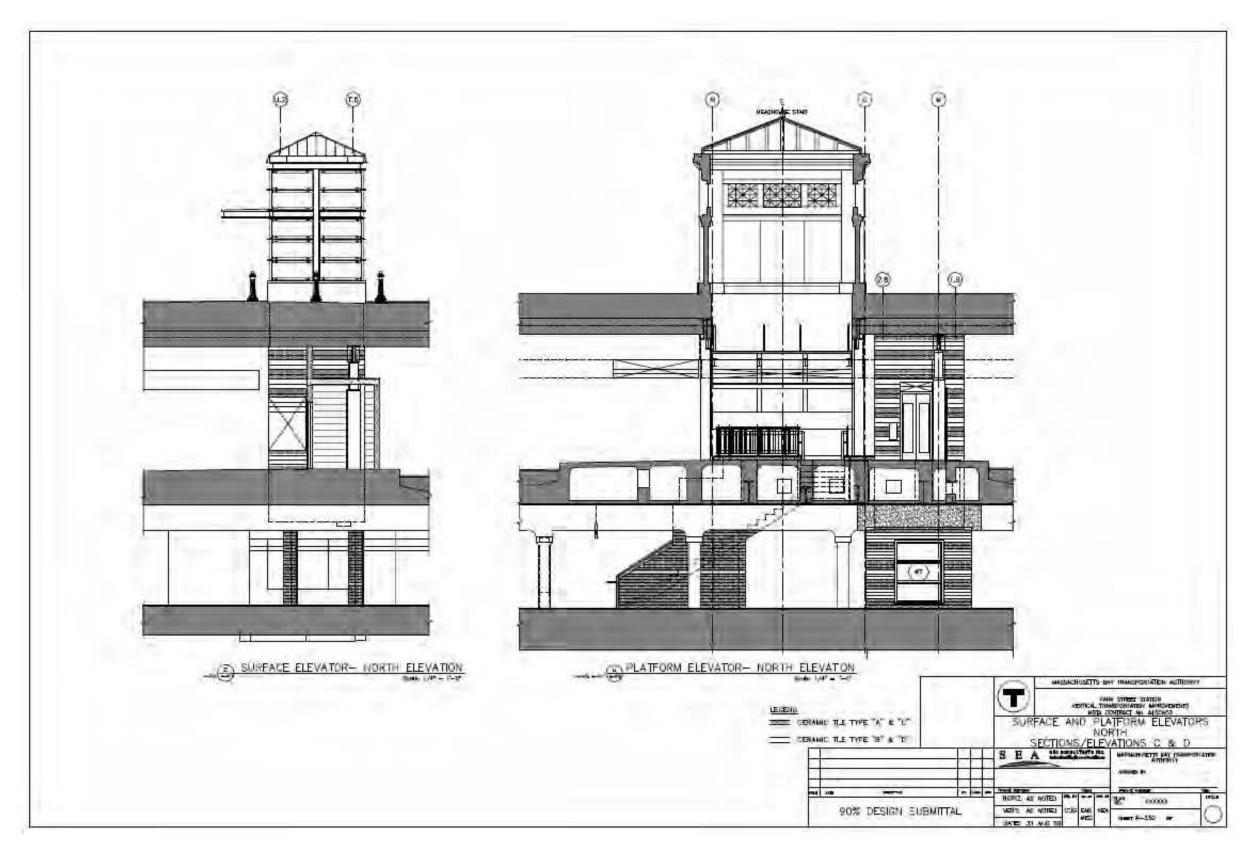
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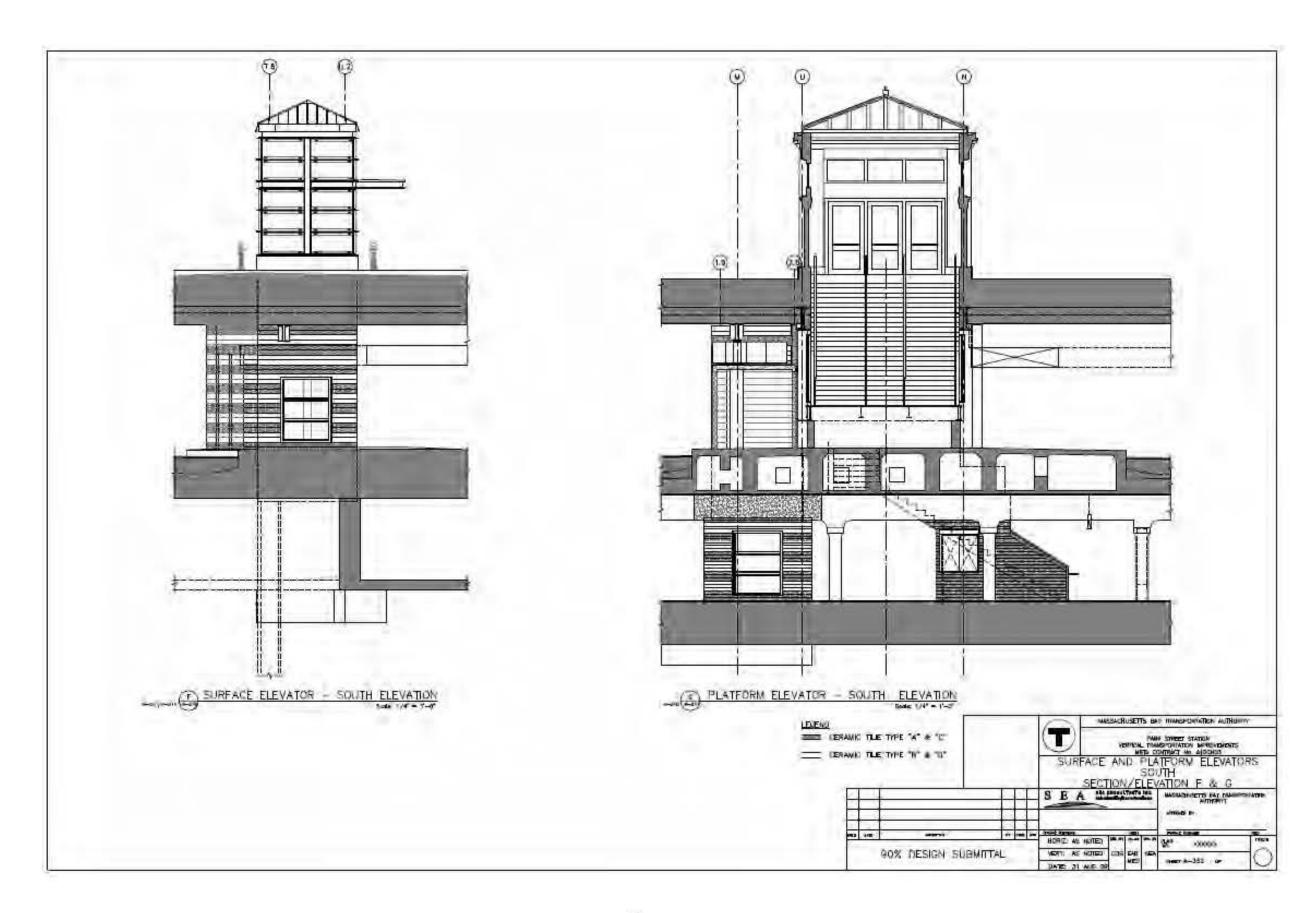
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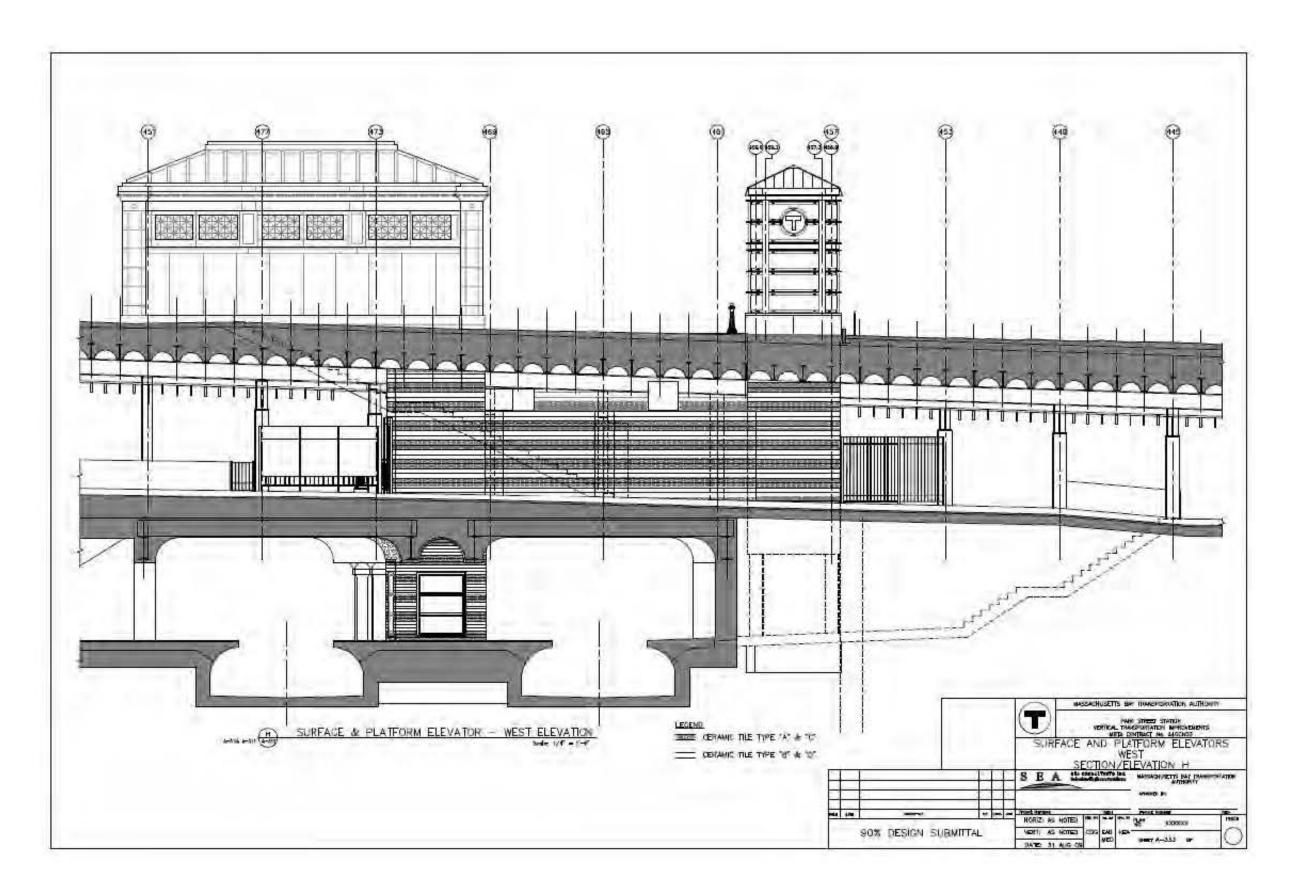






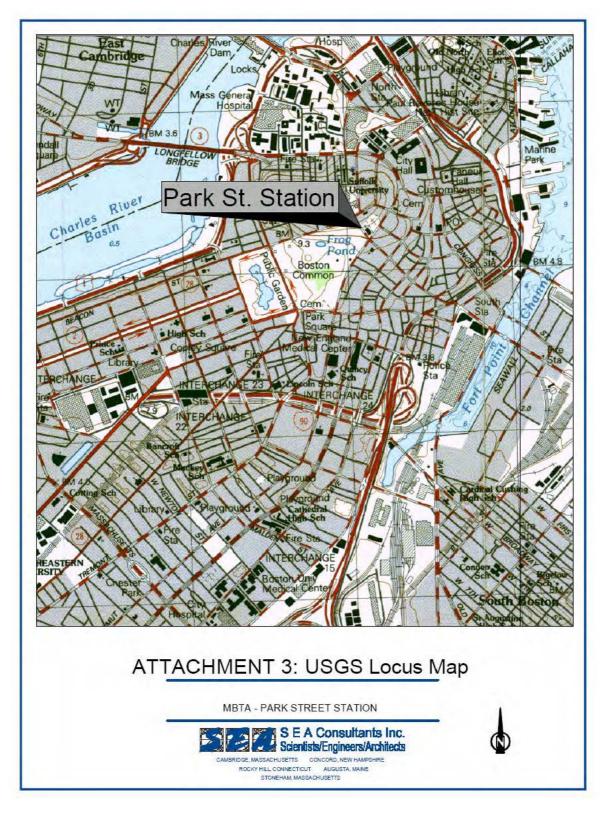






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Attachment 3: U.S. Geological Survey Locus Map



Attachment 4: List of all agencies and persons to whom the proponent circulated the ENF, in accordance with 301 CMR 11.16(2)

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